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DEPT PLS PASS FOR INFO: COMUSJAPAN YOKOTA AB JA, CINCPAC HONOLULU  
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MILITARY ADDEES HANDLE AS SPECAT

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV, MARR, SK, JA  
SUBJECT: NAKASONE DISSATISFACTION WITH SDC

REF: STATE 238374

1. NAKASONE'S REMARKS TO UNDERSECRETARY HABIB CAME AS A SURPRISE TO US INASMUCH AS WE HAD RECEIVED NO PRIOR INDICATION OF SPECIAL INTEREST ON HIS PART IN SDC PROCEEDINGS. YUKIO SATO, MOFA DIRECTOR SECURITY DIVISION, TELLS US SDC WAS DISCUSSED IN PASSING WITH NAKASONE DURING PRE-TRIP BRIEFING, BUT NEITHER HE NOR MOFA EXPRESSED ANY VIEWS ON LEVEL OF ACTIVISTS. IT WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH PAST POSITIONS TAKEN BY NAKASONE, HOWEVER, PARTICULARLY WHEN HE WAS DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE JDA, FOR HIM TO PRESS FOR ACCELERATED JOINT-PLANNING AS JDA DIRECTOR GENERAL, FOR EXAMPLE, NAKASONE ADVOCATED EXPANSION OF JOINT USE WITH THE SDF OF US BASES AND THE CONDUCT OF US-JAPANESE JOINT EXERCISES, INCLUDING REDEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS TO ADVANCE JAPANESE FAMILIARIZATION WITH OUR BASES.

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2. OUR GUESS IS THAT NAKASONE'S COMMENTS REFLECT THIS LINE OF THINKING, BUT THAT HE PROBABLY IS NOT TOO FAMILIAR WITH RECENT SDC ACTIVITY. PRESS ACCOUNTS OF THE SIX SDC MEETINGS TO DATE HAVE BEEN CAREFULLY TAILORED BY GOJ TO CONDITION PUBLIC RECEPTIVITY TO CONCEPT OF COLLABORATION AMONG US AND JAPANESE UNIFORMED STAFFS AND TO PROVIDE LEGITIMACY FOR JOINT PLANNING IN KEY

AREAS THAT WILL SURVIVE CHALLENGE IN DIET. JUDGING FROM  
REACTION TO DATE, GOJ HAS SUCCEEDED ADMIRABLY. PRESS  
TREATMENT DOES NOT, HOWEVER, ACCURATELY REFLECT SUBSTANTIAL PRO-  
GRESS BY SDC PANELS IN WORKING OUT GUIDELINES FOR COOPERATIVE  
ACTIVITY. WE ARE SATISFIED THAT PANELS HAVE BEEN PRO-  
CEEDING EXPEDITIOUSLY, CONSIDERING DIFFICULTY FACED IN  
BREAKING NEW GROUNDS, AND THAT THERE IS NO FOOTDRAGGING BY  
EITHER SIDE. SHOULD NAKASONE BRING HIS CONCERNS TO US OR  
MOFA OR JDA AUTHORITIES CONCERNED, WE WILL FILL HIM  
IN, BUT OTHERWISE SEE NO NEED TO SEEK HIM OUT OR TO BE  
PARTICULARLY UPSET BY HIS REMARKS. INCIDENTALLY, NAKASONE  
CONTINUES TO LIE LOW UNTIL HE IS CERTAIN HE IS NOT TO BE  
FURTHER AFFECTED BY LOCKHEED. THIS IS NOT TO SUGGEST HIS VIEWS  
SHOULD BE IGNORED, ONLY THAT HE DOES NOT APPEAR CURRENTLY TO BE  
IN THICK OF THINGS.  
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